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OUR VICE-PRESIDENT DEAD.

The WORLD performs the somewhat laborious task of giving to its readers a lengthy editorial article on the death of Thomas A. Hendricks, the illustrious vice-president of the United States, which occurred very suddenly, at his residence, in Indianapolis, at 4:45 p. m. on Wednesday—probably of paralysis. Mr. Hendricks had perhaps not been well for several years, but he was able to be about most of the time, and, aside from a few peculiarities to himself and Mrs. Hendricks, that he might be taken off suddenly, it was supposed that many years of useful labor were before him. As it was, Mr. Hendricks had been complaining at times for a day or two of not feeling very well. He and his wife attended a public reception at the home of the state treasurer Tuesday night, and they did not return to their home until midnight. Mr. Hendricks had changed his heavy suit of clothes that evening for a lighter one. On the way home he complained of feeling chilly, but thought of no serious consequences. During Wednesday, he kept his bed the greater portion of the day. After he had succeeded for some time in preventing the family physician from being summoned, he was sent for. Mr. Hendricks' acute abdominal pain was relieved. The physician went home, and, through the carelessness of the waiters, he was not summoned until the patient was in the last throes of death. Mrs. Hendricks, who had been absent from her husband a short time, was beside herself with grief at this unexpected turn in her husband's condition.

Proper demonstrations of grief at Mr. Hendricks' loss were made immediately at Washington, at Indiana state headquarters, and, in fact, throughout the entire country.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks never had but one child. That died in its infancy. The attachment between Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks was profoundly sincere, not to say sentimental. She is kind-hearted and strong-willed, and did all in her power to advance the fortunes of her husband.

Thomas A. Hendricks was born near Zanesville, O., September 7, 1819. On the maternal side he was of Scotch-Irish descent. His parents moved to Madison, Ind., when Thomas was six months old. Thomas entered Hanover college in 1837, and graduated in 1841. He then studied law in the office of an uncle, Judge Thompson, at Chambersburg, Penn., and was admitted to the practice of law in 1843. He returned to Shelbyville, Indiana, where he entered the practice of his profession with a success which was phenomenal. In 1845 Mr. Hendricks was married to Eliza C. Morgan. At the age of 26 he was elected to the state legislature. In 1851 he was elected, without opposition, a member of the state convention to revise the constitution. He was elected to congress from the fifth district in the same year, and was re-elected in 1853. Upon the expiration of this term in congress, Mr. Hendricks intended to return to the practice of law, but President Pierce appointed him commissioner of the general land office. In 1860 Mr. Hendricks was given the Democratic nomination for Governor of Indiana, but he was defeated at the election. In the same year he moved from Shelbyville to Indianapolis. He and Oscar B. Hord formed a law partnership in that city in 1862. In 1863 Mr. Hendricks was elected U. S. Senator. In 1868 he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, but was defeated. He was the Democratic nominee for governor of Indiana in the fall of that year, and suffered defeat. At the close of his senatorial term, he resumed the practice of law. In 1872 he was elected governor of Indiana. He was permanent chairman of the Indiana State Democratic convention in 1874. In 1876 he was nominated by the Democratic national convention for vice-president. He was a member of the Democratic national convention in 1884, and placed in nomination for the presidential candidate Joseph McDonald, of his own state. Mr. Hendricks himself received at that convention the nomination for vice-president by the entire vote of that body, 816. He was 5 feet, 9 inches in height, and a consistent member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

We have not been an admirer of Thos. A. Hendricks' political career. In the sense of having volunteered his help and sympathy to the Southern wing of the democracy and the class of Democrats in the North who have been allied with them in sympathy, Mr. Hendricks was an unwavering Democrat. He belonged to this wing of the Democracy in ante-bellum times. His kind of Democracy would have been eminently respectable if it had won a complete victory in the war of the rebellion. As it is, it is measurably so through its persistent struggles, and its series of partial successes. If the cause of liberty had fallen, Hendricks would have been a patriot. The cause of liberty won; Hendricks was not a patriot. This is not an arraignment of the qualities of his heart. We concede his honesty, and have no possible doubt that, as a neighbor, he was without a fault; in his private life, a hero.

As far as the weal of the country is concerned, Mr. Hendricks' death creates anew the wrangle concerning the presidential succession. Secretary of State Bayard expresses pain at the death of Mr. Hendricks, but greater pain at the thought that it leaves only one man—Mr. Cleveland—between secure government and anarchy.

The practical view of the case seems to be that Mr. Hendricks refused to vacate the vice-president's chair long enough to admit of the election of a president *pro tempore* of the senate. He hoped that the Republican texture of that body would be changed to Democratic. There seems to be a general adherence to the doctrine that if such an election had taken place,

the person thus elected would be in the direct line of promotion to the presidency in the case of death or serious accident to the actual president. It is probable that the Republican who will be thus elected on the assembling of congress will occupy this place in the line of legitimate promotion. The man thus selected will be a Republican. Edmunds is said not to want the place. Sherman and Logan are spoken of in connection with the position. The chances are said to be in favor of Logan.

It seems that only one other vice-president has ever died in office. That was King, of Alabama, who was elected with Pierce.

GIVE US OUR LOGAN.

John A. Logan, observes the editor of the Kansas City Journal, in the issue of yesterday morning, likely will be elected president of the senate when it meets, which will virtually make him the vice president of the United States.

"JOHN K. SEXSMITH," observes the Ness City Times, "is among us again." We supposed all the Smiths were sexsmiths, unless it might be that Sexsmith down there!

On account of respect for the district clerk court, who had killed himself the Friday morning before, and to give the newly appointed clerk the necessary time to qualify, Judge Pratt adjourned court at Hays City from last Monday morning until 8:30 a. m. the next day.

ALFONSO, king of Spain, died at Madrid, Wednesday morning, at 8:45. The cabinet met at once, and formally appointed Queen Maria Christina regent of Spain, in accordance with the Spanish law of succession. The cabinet have resigned. A new ministry will be formed.

We are just a little touchy on at least one particular point, Deacon Wood. Before saying more in the line of your intending to enlarge to a seven column quarto, and publish the biggest and best paper in Western Kansas—half home print—will you glance through the WORLD? Now, ain't you headed off, and that in so quiet a way you hadn't learned it? Come ahead, darling, we'll be waiting on the gate!

—The WORLD's clubbing offers take.

—The government land office rested on Thanksgiving day.

—Cattle occupy a good many cars as they glide by a good way.

—Fine Boots and Shoes at Kerns & Kyle's.

—Wolves are reported to have killed seven of W. E. Saum's sheep week before last.

—Lee Monroe started, Tuesday morning, to Clay Center, not expecting to be back home for a week or so.

—Fine Overcoats, and awful cheap, at Kerns & Kyle's. 352

—In the high school, this month, Alice Wolf held the first place in arithmetic; Ora Wilkin, in geography and history.

—The morning of December 21 is when the penalty sets in with those who shall not have paid a part or all of their taxes.

—G. Washington Hewitt keeps twenty-eight steel traps pretty busy along Big creek, snapping up Coyotes and other game. He is becoming more or less flushed-pocked through this process.

—A new lot of Ladies' Cloaks and Silk Circulars just received at Kerns & Kyle's.

—J. B. Hutchinson and Pruyn & Johnson started for cheap corn last week with several hundred head of sheep. They will corn feed for the spring market. Smith county is their destination. (Ellis Headlight).

—At the government land office, a rush was made on Wednesday on the swearing and booking of homesteaders. The whole hog was executed, and the poor fellows—some of whom had been waiting a good while and others not so long—were permitted to depart full of joy.

—That was a pleasant call which friend Graves, of the Millbrook Times, made at this sanctum Thursday morning. He is thriving. He shows this in his dress and the general air of comfort which he sports. He still holds to a half interest in his growing town of North Millbrook.

—A stick of Candy 2 feet long for 1 cent at Kerns & Kyle's.

—A lot of wheelbarrow racing, with the racers blindfolded, was the way it was decided who should take the turkey Wednesday afternoon. The racing was carried on just west of the calaboose. The stake for which the wheelers tried to make their run was missed widely by some of them.

—We are informed that Judge Harlan, from Missouri, has located in Wa-Keeney for the practice of law. He is the father-in-law of Judge Kelly, of whom we made recent mention. Judge Harlan was at one time speaker of the Missouri house of representatives.

—The nicest assortment of goods of all kinds in Wa-Keeney is at Kerns & Kyle's.

—A loudly-signed petition has been sent from Wa-Keeney to General Superintendent Smith, asking that another express train be run each way daily along the U. P. railway in western Kansas. With this prayer granted, the effect would be the running on west of the train, which now makes Brookville its western terminal point. The asked-for change would, in reality, be giving us what we had in the way of passenger-car accommodations during a good portion of the dull times. Our information is that Wallace would admire the advantages of this increase of trains, and that the petition is being signed very generally by business men between this place and that.

—The best Nickel Cigar in this town or any other town is the "Gilt Edge." For sale by Kerns & Kyle.

—Marshal Frick is fencing in his back yard.

—Livery stable business is lessening somewhat.

—W. S. McGinniss has returned from that Illinois trip.

—W. R. McKnight rode in a car down the road this week.

—Commissioner Purinton is plying in this place his old trade as a carpenter.

—The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan is suffering with an attack of scarlet fever.

—A very mild rain fell Thursday afternoon and night, and continued gently through a portion of yesterday.

—We gladly note the residence revival in Wa-Keeney. Good residences are beginning to loom in view in several quarters.

—Mr. Geo. Robinson and family, from Illinois, have taken charge of the W. S. Johns (late F. O. Ellsworth) ranch, southwest of town.

—A. J. Ayres, the rustling Grainfield merchant, was a welcome caller on Tuesday. He and his family intend to take a trip to California early in next month.

—Mr. H. G. Damon, of Carthage, Mo., was a caller Tuesday evening. He has an interest in the town site of Greeley, Greeley county, and was on his way home from a trip out there.

—Mr. R. Honey, who is preparing to open a bank at Ellis with a capital of \$50,000, showed up at the headquarters on Tuesday. He has been cashier of the National bank at Concordia, in this state, for some four years.

—The remaining child—a boy—of Mr. and Mrs. John Kerns lies in a dangerous condition from the effects of his recent attack of scarlet fever. Hopes are entertained of his recovery. He is about two years old, we believe.

—The utmost possible care should be taken to prevent the children from catching the scarlet fever. It is a relentless enemy, and unlike the general run of virulent diseases, it has no respect for those who have already suffered its terrible sting.

—Carding the trains requires defining, we reckon, on the ground that it is a new phrase. It means that some of our land agents have instituted the practice of scattering their business cards among the passengers on the various express trains which haul up at this depot, regardless of whether the passengers are going to stop off here or not.

—The town men turned out on the en masse plan just before noon on Thursday to witness the burning of the privy just to the rear of County Clerk Pinkham's residence. Two ten-gallon cans of gasoline were stored therein, and the fire burned luridly toward the heavens, which were frowning with a black load of mist, as the average young reporter would be expected to write it. A match in the hands of Mr. Pinkham's son, Charlie, started the fire.

—The charter of the Horace Town company was filed in the office of the secretary of state last Monday. This new town is located in Greeley county, and the directors are N. Momma, Howard; Fred Flory and Levi A. Freeman, Syracuse, Kan.; C. W. Poston, Wallace, Kan.; F. L. Drinkwater, Longton, Kan. The company have at Wallace the lumber for erecting a large hotel at Horace. A stage line has also been organized by Messrs. Freeman, Drinkwater and Poston, whose terminal points are to be Syracuse, on the A. T. & S. F., and Wallace, on the U. P. Of course, this line will run through Horace.

DISTRICT COURT DOCKET: For Term Beginning Monday, December 14, 1885.

City of Wa-Keeney vs. John L. Beem; violation of gambling ordinance; appeal from police court; Nelson and Monroe, attorneys for prosecution; S. R. Hugin, attorney for defendant.

City of Wa-Keeney vs. John L. Beem; charge, same; attorneys, same.

City of Wa-Keeney vs. Geo. Beem; charge, same; attorneys, same.

City of Wa-Keeney vs. Wm. Beem; charge, same.

State vs. Joseph Bush; assault; appeal from justice's court; Nelson, for prosecution; Cowick & Hollister and S. R. Hugin, for defense.

State vs. Donald McDonald and Lizzie McDonald; setting out fire; appeal from justice's court; Nelson and Osborn & Monroe, for prosecution; J. B. Hutchinson, for defense.

James W. Kay vs. Chas. E. Dashiell and Upton Shout; continued from June term; Osborn & Monroe, for prosecution.

A. J. Ayres et al. vs. Board County Commissioners, Trego county, Kan.; injunction; continued from June term; E. A. McMath, for plaintiffs; Nelson and Nellis & Reeder, for defense.

Geo. W. Kay vs. W. S. Kyle; replevin; continued from June term; Frank Dufford, for plaintiff; Osborn & Monroe, for defense.

John Schmidt vs. T. W. Miller; debt; appeal from justice's court; Osborn & Monroe, for defense.

C. J. Ferris vs. Geo. E. Alden and Geo. V. Deiterich; attachment; Osborn & Monroe, for plaintiff; Nelson and Rathbone, for defense.

Hannah A. Stannard vs. Benjamin S. Stannard; suit to secure alimony; Osborn & Monroe, for plaintiff; Cowick & Hollister, for defense.

R. N. Hutchinson vs. Donald McDonald; damage; appeal from justice's court; Osborn & Monroe, for plaintiff; J. B. Hutchinson, for defense.

Willis W. Walkey vs. Geo. P. Tiffany; replevin; Nelson, for plaintiff.

Belle Dapron vs. James Dapron; divorce; Nelson, for plaintiff.

Stephen H. Likens vs. Henry Menkemeyer; damage; Cowick & Hollister, plaintiff's attorneys.

Assignment of Dade Johnson; Osborn & Monroe, for assignee.

CAUGHT THE CUSSSES.

Two Railroad Brakemen Robbed the Safe.

Here is the afterglow: Two brakemen of the Union Pacific road entered the drug store of Dr. Griffin, of this place, and purchased two bottles of beer. They went to the rear part of the store to drink the beverage, and while Dr. Griffin was in front waiting upon a customer, they took the sum of \$800 in money and several checks from the safe which stood open. It was about three hours afterward when Dr. Griffin discovered the robbery. He at once gathered up a crowd of business men, who started out in search of the brakemen. After an hour's search they were found on the railroad about a mile from town, but declared that they had never taken the money. Their pursuers, however, were not to be bluffed, and taking the brakemen to the telegraph pole near by, placed a rope around their necks, and it was not until they were actually strung up that they concluded it would be best to return the money. The booty had been hidden in a coal chute.

A Pair of Them.

Last Saturday evening, on the formal complaint of County Superintendent Rich, Sheriff Baker arrested Alex. McNaughton and John McNaughton, on the charge of having set out different prairie fires in and adjacent to the valley of Big Creek, in Ogallah township. The father and mother of these boys live south of Big Creek, a mile or two southwest of Mr. Rich's. They are as harmless a pair as ever were drawn together. These boys seem to have been given a free rein.

They have been in the Wa-Keeney calaboose, having failed to give the \$500 bond for appearance for trial, which Probate Judge Conger required. The boys have had a pretty fair time of it. They have gotten out of the calaboose once or oftener, gone to Olson's, and returned. One of them is about fifteen years old, the other about two years younger. Fire setting has been active down their way for several weeks. Several persons have lost some property by fire, and others have been barely able to save their homes. Indignation has been aroused. Their trial will come off here next Monday before Judge Conger. No attempt has been made, as yet, to make a defence for them. If the guilt of this crime shall be fastened on them, they will be sentenced to the State Reform school.

The strong point on the part of the prosecution seems to be that several neighbors, becoming suspicious of the boys in this connection, rode to their house one recent night. It was then ascertained that two horses which had been ridden by the boys had not been stabled long enough for the perspiration on them to be dried. Further investigation showed that the boys had just gotten into bed.

If the boys are guilty, it is probably because they were not given wholesome work by their parents.

—Mrs. R. C. Wilson, wife of the banker, now resides in Wa-Keeney, having come here the fore part of the week.

—Clarence Bell, of Kansas City, a cousin of W. H. Bell, returned to his home last week.

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